

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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MICROSPHERES WITH A  
HYBRIDIZATION CHAMBER  
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## LETTER REGARDING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This letter accompanies the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed February 23, 2009 in connection with the above-referenced patent application. This RCE includes a request for a three month suspension of action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). Applicants originally filed this RCE on February 20, 2009 but inadvertently failed to request the three month suspension of action. To rectify this inadvertent omission, Applicants file the instant RCE, which is identical to the RCE filed February 20, 2009 except it includes the request for a three month suspension of action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). This RCE is being filed in compliance 37 C.F.R. § 1.134 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.7(a).

Respectfully submitted,

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